AMENDMENTS

Listing of Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all previous listings or version thereof:

- 1-58. (Canceled)
- 59. (Presently amended) A method of modulating muscle cell growth <u>in a human subject</u> comprising:
 - (a) identifying a human subject in need of muscle cell growth modulation;
 - (b) providing selecting a small molecule modulator of MCIP1 expression; and
 - (b) administering said modulator to a muscle cellsaid human subject,

whereby administration of said modulator results in modulation of muscle cell growth <u>in</u> said subject.

- 60. (Canceled)
- 61. (Previously presented) The method of claim 59, wherein said small molecule modulator is an agonist of muscle cell growth.
- 62. (Presently amended) The method of claim 6159, wherein said agonist is a small molecule is an antagonist of muscle cell growth.
- 63-69. (Canceled)
- 70. (Presently amended) The method of claim 6059, further comprising administering to said mammal human subject a second pharmaceutical agent used to treat cardiac disease.

71-101. (Canceled)

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